

19. (NEW) The circuit of claim 11 wherein the alternating current passes from the common node of the first switching branch to the centertap of the energy storage device for warming the energy storage device when the disconnect circuit operates in the second mode.

20. (NEW) The circuit of claim 10 where in the disconnect circuit includes an inductor connected between the centertap of the energy storage device and the common node of the inverter circuit.

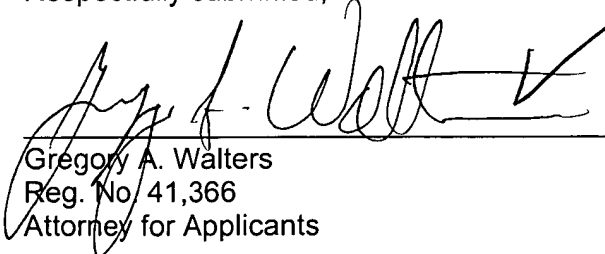
REMARKS

Claim 1 is pending in the present application. New Claims 2 through 20 have been added. The basis for the above amendments may be found throughout the specification, drawings and claims as originally filed. In view of the above, Applicants submit that the specification and claims are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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